Canadian Heritage Patrimoine canadien

Canada

News Release ~ Communiqué

Province House commemorated

HALIFAX, AUGUST 13, 1994 Her Majesty the Queen today unveiled a special plaque to recognize Province House in Halifax, Nova Scotia, formally for its national historic and architectural significance. The special ceremony, at the site, also marked the 175th anniversary of Province House.

The ceremony was chaired by Dr. Thomas H.B. Symons, Chairman of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. The Honourable Michel Dupuy, Minister of Canadian Heritage, spoke on behalf of the Government of Canada and the Honourable John Savage, Premier of Nova Scotia, represented the Province.

Begun in 1811 and opened in 1819 as the seat of government for Nova Scotia, Province House is recognized as one of the finest Palladian-style buildings in Canada. The plaque describes it as "an architectural monument and the setting for significant events in Canadian political life."

The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada advises the Minister of Canadian Heritage on the national historic importance of people, events and places as well as the architectural importance of heritage buildings.

Information:

Glenn Lush
Canadian Heritage
Halifax, Nova Scotia
(902) 426-5516

Pam Veinotte
Canadian Heritage
Halifax, Nova Scotia
(902) 426-3436